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**Victoria Schrader**

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December 1, 2005 5:54 AM

Representative Todd Platts  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1032 Longworth House Office Bldg.  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

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**D.E. Osbron**

P.O. Box 534 , Murray, KY 42071-0534

December 1, 2005 6:56 AM

Senator Mitch McConnell  
U.S. Senate  
361-A Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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**Robin Lydic**

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December 1, 2005 6:40 AM

Senator Mike DeWine  
U.S. Senate  
140 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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**Jan Ingle**

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511 Dirksen Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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**Charles Eglhaut**

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November 30, 2005 11:27 PM

Representative Kenny Hulshof  
U.S. House of Representatives  
412 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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**Jack Bass**

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November 30, 2005 11:34 PM

Representative Trent Franks  
U.S. House of Representatives  
1237 Longworth House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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**G Murray**

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December 1, 2005 5:56 AM

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U.S. Senate  
311 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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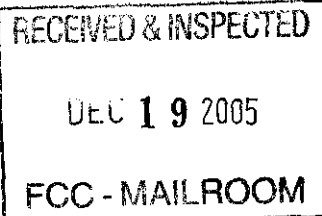
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December 1, 2005 10:33 AM

Senator Judd Gregg  
U.S. Senate  
393 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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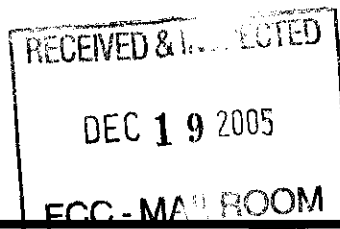
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Larry Green

P.O. Box 916 , Black canyon city, AZ 85324-916

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Senator Jon Kyl  
U.S. Senate  
730 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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December 1, 2005 3:32 PM

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U.S. Senate  
313 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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November 30, 2005 11:46 PM

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U.S. Senate  
330 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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**Alexander Stymiest**

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U.S. Senate  
154 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

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Sincerely,

Betty Woody

cc:  
FCC General Email Box

DEC 19 2005

**Tom Flanigan**

200 75th ave N. Ste 3301, Myrtle Beach, SC 29572

December 1, 2005 8:43 AM

Senator Jim Demint  
U. S. Senate  
340 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

Tom Flanigan

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DEC 19 2005

**Sheila Downey**

4343 5th Avenue, Pace, FL 32571

December 1, 2005 12:07 AM

Senator Mel Martinez  
United States Senate  
317 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Martinez:

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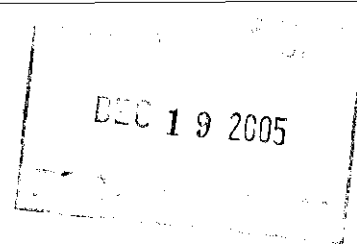
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Sincerely,

Sheila Downey

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FCC General Email Box



**Larry Green**

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P.O. Box 916 , Black canyon city, AZ 85324-916

December 1, 2005 11:07 AM

Representative Rick Renzi  
U.S. House of Representatives  
418 Cannon House Office Building  
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Renzi:

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Sincerely,

Larry Green

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**R. Shea Baird**

1201 W. McGaffey Street Apt. 71, Roswell, NM 88203

DEC 19 2005

November 1, 2005 7:07 PM

Senator Jeff Bingaman  
U.S. Senate  
703 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Bingaman:

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Sincerely,

R.Shea Baird

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

DEC 19 2005

**Edward McFadden**

708 McCutchen Rd. , Cades, SC 29518

December 1, 2005 11:35 AM

Senator Lindsey Graham  
U.S. Senate  
290 Russell Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

Edward McFadden

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DEC 10 2005

**alexander smith jr**

5804annapolisrd#501 , bladensburg, MD 20710

December 1, 2005 12:37 AM

Senator Barbara Mikulski  
U.S. Senate  
503 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

alexander smith jr

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DEC 19 2005

**Donna Steinmetz**

4132 Ferndale Lane , La Crosse, WI 54601

December 1, 2005 12:07 AM

Senator Herb Kohl  
U.S. Senate  
330 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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DEC 19 2005

**Todd Cross**

1225 Gordon Lane , Pulaski, TN 38478

November 30, 2005 11:52 PM

Senator Lamar Alexander  
U.S. Senate  
302 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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DEC 19 2005

**Robert J. Thomson**

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27543 Hickory Blvd , Bonita Springs, FL 34134-8412

December 1, 2005 11:17 AM

Senator Bill Nelson  
U.S. Senate  
716 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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DEC 19 2005

**RAY KOERNER**

PO BOX 4116 , ROSELLE PARK, NJ 07204

December 1, 2005 10:40 AM

Senator Frank Lautenberg  
U.S. Senate  
324 Hart Senate Office Building  
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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